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5. Helena Higgins, staff of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, called. She is currently revising the Joint Committee's security procedures and asked if we would provide the Committee with a list of these persons who were authorized to receive Top Secret Restricted Data material and who might have occasion to receive documents in this classification. I plan to give her a list of selected individuals in the office of Legislative Counsel and in the office of the Director.

> Mr. Thad Murray, in the office of Representative Porter Hardy, called concerning our authority to hire fifteen retired military officers. (He has a constituent who is desirous of appointment under this authority.) Murray asked if I could indicate to him whether these fifteen positions were currently filled. He is hoping this is the case as he does not wish to become involved further.

> Returned to House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee the remaining portion of Navy testimony and received for security review the first of the transcripts of Air Force testimony before the Subcommittee together with three more units of page proofs. It was requested that these three units together with the three already in our hands be returned if possible by Wednesday, noon. Present scheduling indicates that they will go to the printers late Wednesday afternoon, with transmittal to the press and possible release this weekend.

Met with Representative John V. Lindsay concerning his request for a briefing. (See Journal of 14 March.) Advised Mr. Lindsey that since our answer was essentially negative, General Carter had requested that I drop by rather than calling. Advised that the Agency had been under a program for some time that precluded transmittal of classified information to other than our parent Committees in the Congress and that as he readily understood, questions such as support or neasupport of organizations such as the International Commission of Free Jurists is considered classified. Also advised that the Agency position remained unchanged, that in effect we have no comment on the question of the Joint Supervisory Committee of the Congress. It is our position that this is a matter of congressional organization. Mr. Lindsay evidenced some minor displeasure that he, as a member of Congress, is not entitled to receive a brieflag on Cuba or the other information requested.

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